



ARIZONA-SONORA DESERT MUSEUM PLANT CARE INFORMATION

Serpent's Tooth Vine *Serjania mexicana*

DESCRIPTION: This fast growing vine is native to the Tropical Deciduous Forests of southern Sonora. It can grow many feet per year and is covered with tropical-looking bright green leaves. It is winter deciduous. Flowers are tiny and insignificant.

RECOMMENDED USE: Use for a tropical look. Good as a background climber, as hooked spines on stems are a minor hazard.

CULTURE:



Hardiness: 25°F for the stems although the crown is hardy to at least 20°F.



Sun tolerance: Best in light to moderate shade.



Watering and feeding: Moderate water use. Feed in spring.



Soil requirements: Any soil will do.



Pruning: Prune to control any time. Prune heavily in spring to remove winter damage.